QUADRUPLE HANGING BEE

A Mob Summarily Dispose of Four Murderers in California.

Siskiou County was the Scene of the Affair. A Rail Placed Between 3 Two Trees Formed the Beam from Which the Men All Hung Together.

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YHEKA, Cal., August 26,—About 1
o'clock this morning a crowd of 250
men gathered here to lynch the four
murderers in the county jail. Small
groups from all over Siskiou county
began to arrive on the outkirts of the
town about 9 o'clock last night. At
once the crowd having gathered they
wecured an old rail at the depot and
carried it to the courthouse square,
placing it between two trees. The
local police were called away by a sham
light.

light.
By the time they returned they By the time they returned they realized the intention of the crowd. The Chief of Police went to the engine-house to ring the fire alarm, but found that the ropes had been cut. He then went to the jail, but the mob had already arrived and in such numbers that the police were powerless. A number of men all masked awakened Under-Sheriff Radford at the Sheriff's edlice in the courtbouse and demanded collice in the courtbouse and demanded

office in the courthouse and demanded the keys of the jail from him. He positively refused to open the door or give up the keys. Finding that Radford was immovable the mob-

door or give up the keys. Finding that Radford was immovable the mobwent seroes to the jail and got on top of the stonewall which surrounds it. Deputy Sheriff Brautlacht, who slept in the jail, fired two shots to slarm the city Marshal, thinking some of the prisoners were trying to escape. He then opened the doors and was immediately seized by the mob who entered the jail. Having no keys to the cells they were compelled to smash the beas with sledge hammers.

Lawrence H. Johnson, who stabbed his wife to death July 23d, was first to receive the attention of the mob. They broke the lock from the door of his cell and placing a rope around his neck led him out of the jail and across the street to where the iron rail was laid between the forks of two trees. Johnson plesded for mercy, but the silent gathering gave no heed to his appeals. He was quickly strung up, dying of etrangulation. The mob their returned to the jail and broke into the cell of William Null, who shot lieury Nayton at Callahans on April 21st. Null asked to make a statement, but the mob refused to listen, and he was soon hangling bested Johnson fused to listen, and he was soon hang-

fused to listen, and he was soon hanging beside Johnson.
Louis Moreno, who killed George Sears on the 5th instant, was next taken out and hanged. The last and youngest of the four was Garland Semler, aged 19, who killed Casper Moiverhaus at Bailey Hill, on the 5th instant. A rope was placed around his teck and in a few minutes he was swinging beside his companions. About this time Sheriff Hobbs arrived on the ecene, but was met by several of the

ermoved them in a wagon to the engine-house, where they were laid side by edde. The Coroner summoned a jury 40 hold the inquest, which is now in

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WASHINGTON NEWS NOTES. Something More About Spofford's Payment of \$22,400.

WASHINGTON, August 26. - In view of WASHINGTON, August 20,—In view of the constructions that have been placed upon Spofford's statement that he re-cently paid to the Treasury a sum of \$22,400 on his accounts the Librarian S22,400 on his accounts the Librarian of Congress desires the following explanation be made for publication. He states the payment was what he had found to be the approximate balance between two accounts—the Treasury owing him for several monthly disbursements of library salaries, and howing the Treasury copyright fees, the adjustment of which had been delayed by his engrossment in pressing labors, preventing close scrutiny and prompt

by his engrossment in pressing labors, preventing close scrutiny and prompt balancing of accounts.

During the entire time of this delay, ranning from October, 1893, he had continued to pay in the treasury every two or three mouths copyright fees to the amount of over \$55,000 in 1894 and 1895, exclusive of the \$22,400 referred to. This was the plain state of the case; delayed adjustment of accounts and not a shorting as had been widely represented. He distinctly denied that the recent deposit was to make good any wrongful withholding of moneys dut to the Government. dut to the Government.

Fire was discovered at 4:20 o'clock Fire was discovered at 4:20 o'clock this afternoon in the stationery storage room of the Treasury Department, situated in the basement, north front of the big building. A general alarm was turned in, but when the engines arrived the blaze had been extinguished. The damage was slight, The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is presumed to have been spontaneous combustion. combuction.

A cablegram from Ambassador Eustis received at the State Department this afternoon reports the return to Paris of the Ambassador's two deputies, Newton B. Eustis and Mr. Alexander, who had been sent to Calirvaux prison to see Consul Waller. They took Mr. Walter's deposition containing a full statement of his trial and conviction by the French Military Court at Tametav and a copy will be forwarded to the Department. to the Department,

The Indian office received no ad vices concerning the alleged slaughter of Bannock Indians by the whites and officials who are conversant with the country deny the possible accuracy of the reports.

Secretary Adec said to-day that he had received nothing from Minister Denby concerning information on the Chinese situation contained in the press dispatches. Mr. Adec is averse to making any comment on what this absence of official communication signifies, and he would not talk on the subject beyond the remark that noth subject beyond the remark that noth ing had been received by him to show whether or not Mr. Denby was carry-ing out the instructions sent by the department

A cablegram received at the Navy Department reported the departure to this time Sheriff Hobbs arrived on the ecene, but was met by several of the mob, who notified him that "the job was finished."

By this time the greater part of the mob had disappeared, leaving only a few on guard. Soon these departed also and the square was soon deserted. The bodies were taken down by Coroner Schofield and Marshal Parks, who ermoved them in a wagon to the engine. American naval force at Che Foo.

The Central Labor Union of Southcastern Virginia will meet to night in
Labor Hall at 8 o'clock sharp, to hear
the reports from the various unions
and make final preparations for Labor
Day, which will be generally observed
by labor organizations of this section,
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GEN. JOSEPH HOLT'S WIL

It Reached the Register of Wills Late Saturday Night,

But Was Not Opened Until Yesterday Morning, When a Most Interest-ing State of Affairs, Bordering on Sensationalism, Was Made Public.

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Washington, August 26,—What purports to be the last will of the late Geo. Joseph Holt, of Kentucky, who died over a year ago, was made public to day in a sensational manner. In the mail delivered to the office of the Register of Wills Saturday night was a letter which was not opened until this morning by Col. Wright, the register. Among them was one addressed in crude letters printed in ink which, when opened, was found to contain a half sheet of foolscap paper, the left edge of which was burned, not enough to make the writing illeighte.

Several small holes were burned in the sides and center of the sheet, but scarcely a word was eliminated. The text of the document was as follows:

"I do hereby devise and bequeath all of my property, both personal and

"I do hereby devise and bequeath all of my property, both personal and real, to Lizzio Hunes, consin of my first wife, and to Josephine Holt Throckmortou, who is my god-endd, and to their heirs and assigns forever. I do hereby direct that at my death all of my property be divided equally between them.

"Lizzie Hynes is to inherit her's at my death; Josephine at the age of 21.

my death; Josephine at the age of 21. Her father, Major Charles B. Throck morten, will hold her share in trust. I appoint Mr. Luke Devlin, of Wash.

ngton, executor. "Signed and scaled in the presence of these witnesses at Washington, Feb-ruary 7, 1873,

"Witnesses: Ellen B. E. Sherman,"
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Not one word of explanation accompanied the will, and the officials of the register's office are at a loss to account for its appearance.

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To one who is familiar with the handwriting of Gen. Holt and with the signature of Grant and Sherman doubt the authenticity of the document.

Gen. Holt was supposed to have died intestate, and proceedings under that supposition were begun a year ago. On the petition of Washington D.Holt, William C. Sterrett and John W. Holt, next of kin, an administrator was appointed and he filed an inventory of the personal estate on October 1st, 191, which footed up \$130,665. About \$50,000 worth of realty in this city also belongs to the estate.

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Several days subsequent to the filing
of the inventory some of the heirs of
the deceased submitted to the Register
of Wills an instrument purporting to
be the will of feu. Holt and dated
April 14, 1818. Upon the outside of
the sealed wrapper, however, in the
testators own handwriting were the
words:

"This will has been wholly revoked.
"J. Holt."
The administrator was there forced to proceed as though no will had been offered or written. There was accord-ingly a distribution of \$9,000 made at that time among the next of kin. This is the only distribution of funds that has been made, and the administrator will probably be directed to stay proceedings until something further is heard from the unknown senders of the will

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

'KID" LAVIGNE WHIPS HANDLER Skelly, of Brooklyn, Knocked Out By

By Southern associated Press.

Maspern, L. I., August 26.—The new Empire Athlette Club, of Maspeth, L. I., to night was formally opened. The principal bout of the evening was between George Lavigne, the Saganaw kid, and Jimmy Handler, of Newney. of Newnrk.

There were 2,000 persons present when the opening bout between Frank Erne, of Buffelo, and Jack Skelly, of

Newark, The bout was twenty rounds at 133 pounds.
The first four rounds were freely fought, with Lavigne getting the best of each of them, the fifth and last round being the tamest, as Handler was in no condition to stand much more punish ment.

In the fifth round the Kid got in his In the fifth round the Kid got in his right on the body and immediately after landed his left, finander was very groggy and Lavigne got in a heavy body blow, which knocked Handler down. The Newark boy got to his feet, but immediately afterward the Kid landed his right on the jaw and Handler was knocked down and out. One minute and seven seconds of the round had elapsed.

Lery Brow to Sell Ont.

I thus generally been the custom for all large houses to take an account of their stock in the dull scason and hold a big inventory sale when business has not been good. Levy Bros. have departed from this old rate, and now right in the very height of the season have decided to take an inventory, and hold a grand sale, and will sell every article in their house at greatly reduced prices, and in many cases far below the cost of manufacture. It seems a question of wisdom for a firm to sell goods at the ridiculous price that Levy Bros, will sell them at during this sale, which commences to morrow, Welnesday will sell them at during this sale, which commences to morrow, Wednesday morning, August 28th. Nevertheless, it must be admitted there is a sort of good policy in adopting this gigantic sale. It takes lots of herve for a firm to deliberately lose several thousand dollars, but it will be a lasting advertisement and surely set the people of Norfolk to doing some taking and Norfolk to doing some taking and thinking about the way and system which this firm generally sells their goods. It is true they will gain many new customers, owing to the fact that the people who attend this sale will observe the regular prices Levy Bros. sell their goods for and compare them with the prices of others. This is the reason the regular price will be marked ou each article displayed, and along-side of it the price of the article for this inventory sate.

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News and Gossip In and About the City of Richmond.

Virginia Politics Discussed. The Election of Members of The House, and The Possible Candidates for The Gubernatorial Nomination.

Erne, of Buffalo, and Jack Skelly, of Brooklyn, was aunounced.

The bout was a lively one and was of the "give and take" order. Skelly drew first blood and kneck down, the former in the first round and the latter in the fourth. When the seventh round was reached both men were weak, but fought gamely.

Skelly got in a good right on the head and a left hander on the face which made Erne bleed freely. Erne got in a good right hander and then landed twice on the heart and followed up with his left on the face. Skelly sank to the ropes and rolled over on his side.

Special Dispatch to The Virginian.

Richmond, Va., August 26.—No arrangements inve been made as yet for the opening of Democratic State head-quarters. Chairman Ellyson is not giving any attention to private yet. He is at his desk in the office of the Old Dominion Building and Loan Association from early morning until late at night, September will be well advanced before arrangements for cantor Daniel and Gov. O'Ferrall will be the State orators. Others who probably will stump the State are Gen. Fitz Loe. Judge Staples, Congressman

got in a good right hander and then handed twice on the heart and followed up with his left on the face. Skeily sank to the ropes and rolled over on his side.

He was unable to get up and was counted out. The round lasted 2 minutes and 40 seconde. Skeily had to be carried to his corner.

The star bout of the evening was between Kid Lavigne of Saginaw Michigan and Jimmie Handler, of Newark. The bout was twenty rounds at 133 pounds.

The first four rounds were freely slow in moving; waiting, perhaps, in the bone that men in politics will turn up, while the opposition is holding off for the other side to make a start. The canvass will not be well under way fore October, and the contest will necessarily be short and full of his. Very little is being said now about the tinbernatural contest. It is so far

off the people do not care to talk about it. Should flunton and Goode enter the race, as it is said they propose deing, the light will be a most interesting one. Hogo Tyler is the most avowed candidate. Taylor Ellyson is almost certain to be in the race and Congressman Jones and Gen. Fitz. way consent to being entered. With these six and possibly others the contest would indeed be interesting. John Goode was a can didute for the nomination in 1881, when Daniel was placed at the head of

didate for the nomination in 1881, when Daniel was placed at the head of the ticket. Of the gentlemen named lace and Goode are acrocates of sound currency; Jones and Tylor are free silver men, and Hunton and Ellyson are doubtful, but probably very conservative silver men. The gubernaterial contest is yet two years of, and no one can safely predict that changes may occur before that time.

To all appearances the movement looking to extending the corporate limits of Richmond by taking in Manchester will die a natural death. The agitation of the subject has long ago. But just wait until the papers again begin to talk of Norfolk and Portsmouth being united, and then you will see husting to enlarge Richmond. The business people here are slow and conservative, but they do not desire any city to approach Rich are slow and conservative, but they do not desire any city to approach Richmond in population. It was the talk of "Greater Norfolk" that caused the Chamber of Commerce several months ago to start the ball to rolling for "ingger Richmond," Including Manchester, Richmond has a population of over 100,000.

The tobacconists here do not hesitate to say they have there will be a

The tobacconists here do not hesi-late to say they hope there will be a bonalide war against the American Tobacco Company, which they state has ruined the trade. One thing is certain; the monopoly has been ex-tremely huriful to the trade in cutters. One tirm here has lost as much as \$40,-000, and others have suffered almost as badly. Tobacconists have little hope that the company organizing in St. Louis will do more than keep the American in the eigarette business.

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Many Matters to Interest Petersburgers in Norfolk.

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PREEISBURG, VA., August 26.—Lowis
Shellicid, charged with the cutting and
wounding of a negro named John
Avery, to Poeshontas at a late hour
saturday night, was called to the
Mayor's Court this morning, when the
accused waived an examination and
asked that the case be certified to the
Hustings Court, which was done. Shef
field was released on bail in the penalty of \$200, with Police Officer Wells
as his bondsman. Avery has four cuts
in the back, but Dr. James W. Claiborne, the attending physician, says
they are not serious, and that the injured man will be able to go out in two
or three weeks.

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Rev. W. A. R. Goodwin, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church in this city, has returned to the city from Dinwiddie where he has been holding a mission during the past week at the Church of the Good Shepherd in that county. Rev. John Ridout, of this place, kas just finished holding a mission at St. Paul's Episcopal Church at Surry Courthonse.

A meeting of ladies of Petersburg will be held to morrow afternoon for the "Daughters of the Confederacy."

The public schools of Petersburg will open on the lith of next month, Mr. Jerome Sommers, a well known citizen of this place, died this morning at the residence of his son in-law, Mr. S. W. Booth, on Sycamore street, The deceased had been in feeble health for some time. He was at one time a prominent merchant here, At the time of his death he was a member of the Knights of Honor, Petersburg Benevolent Mechanics Association.

Mr. T. Y. Sydnor, of the Franklin Press Company, will leave here on next Thursday to accept a position with Geo. H. Buchanan & Co., of Philadelphia.

Mr. James W. Couch, a mail agent on the Atlantic Coast Line, running between Washington and Charleston, S. C., who has been confined to his home in this city for some weeks from an attack of fever, is now able to be out.

out.
Miss Helen McGregor Robinson left to day for Nottoway Courthouse, to visit friends.

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Charges of Immorality Investi-

The Woman in the Case" Removed, But the Officer is Still on Duty. Nurse Murray Arrested, Charged With Stealing City Property.

Some months ago the Councils committee investigated charges of immorality made against persons in authority at the city almshouse.

The matter was bushed up and the inmate who was a party to the scandal, was forced to leave the institution, but the almshouse officer is still holding on to his position. The Virgonian learns from members of the Councils committee that the morality of the institution is far below par, but lack of virtue is not all the complaints.

For some months various articles have been disappearing from the almshouse. It was evident that some one was stealing. The matter was placed in the hands of Detectives Hunter and Eastwood, who Sunday arrested a man named Murray, employed as a 'nurse. The man was found at his home and the goods said to have been stolen were found. the goods said to have been stolen were found in his house. The affair will be tuvestigated by Ju tice Burroughs Wednesday. 'houl! Mayor Pettit look into affairs at the almshouse he will likely have a cance to exert his authority in the matter of suspension.

POND—At the residence of her father, Mr. Wm. stront. Payette tree, Brighton. Ports nouth, Va., Moneay, August 20th, at 9.10 p. m., Mrs. LOUISA POND, relist of late lebert Pond.

The funcal will take place at Venable Street Bapt at Church, Richand, Va., WEDNESDAY at 1 o'clock a. m. 'Interment nonkwood Cometery.

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